The Times Dispatch

FARMERS GO WITH CHEERS FOR CITY

Delighted With Hospitality of Richmond and Owners of Curl's Neck Estate.

RIVER TRIP WAS GREAT EVENT OF INSTITUTE

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As the steamers made their way out of the harbor, the farmers were greeted with a chorus of whistles from the various industries in the lower part of the city, and in passing the chemical works in Fulton the whole army of employes—each negro with his truck and bag of guano—were drawn up in salute on the front platform.

The river excursion represented the hospitality of the municipality and or the citizens of Richmond to the Farmers' Institute, and the committees in charge left nothing undone for the comfort of their guests. Refreshments began almost on leaving the wharf, bananas, ginger ale, cigars, etc., being in abundance throughout the day. By arrangement, only one of the steamings landed its passengers at the farm at a time. The Berkeley went first directly to Curl's Neck wharf, which was reached about 11 clock. The Pocahontas, after salutes by the whistles and serenades by the band, went on down the river as far as Westover, coming back in the afternoon to land its party at Curl's Neck after lunch had been served on the boat. By that time the Berkeley party had re-embarked and continued the river excursion as far as City Point.

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tillery, at Midway, Woodford county, containing 47,500 barrels of whiskey:
burned several negro cottages, the Southern, Rallway trestle, and two county bridges, and threatened the Northern part of the town of Midway.

The actual property loss was at least \$550,000, partly insured. The loss to the government in the destruction of whiskey in bond, amounting to 2,300.

Will be nearly \$2,500,000. The main distillery, the books and the superintendent's residence were saved.

The fire is believed to have been of incendiary origin. The concern was one of the biggest in the State, and manufactured whiskey. incendiary origin. The concern was one of the biggest in the State, and manufactured whiskey for firms in many parts of the country.

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TURNS GRIEF TO JOY Count Zeppelin Thanks Emperor for Nessage of Sympathy. FRIEDRICHISHIAPEN, August 6— The King of Wurtemberg called on Count Zeppelin here to-day and conveyed to the aeronault the personal regreted of the counts already and conveyed to the aeronault he personal regreted of the counts already and conveyed to the aeronault he personal regreted of the counts already and conveyed to the aeronault he personal regreted of the counts already and conveyed to the aeronault he personal regreted of the counts already and conveyed to the aeronault he personal regreted of the counts already and conveyed to the aeronault he personal regreted of the counts already and conveyed to the aeronault he personal regreted of the counts already and conveyed to the aeronault he personal regreted of the counts already and conveyed to the aeronault he personal regreted of the counts already and conveyed to the aeronault he personal regreted on the structure of the construction of airchalds and conveyed to the counts already and conveyed to the aeronault he personal regreted on the structure of the destruction of airchalds you on the storium and the structure of the destruction of airchalds you on the storium and the structure of the destruction of airchalds you on the storium and the structure of the destruction of airchalds and these of the destruction of airchalds you on the storium and the structure of the destruction of airchalds you on the storium and the structure of the destruction of airchalds you on the storium and the structure of the destruction of airchalds you on the storium and the structure of the destruction of airchalds you on the storium and the structure of the destruction of airchalds you on the storium and the structure of the storium and the structure of the storium and the structure of the storium and the st

existence of lynching in all parts of
the country is directly traceable to
this lack of uniformity and thoroughness in the enforcement of our criminal laws.

"The present is a time when all our
institutions are being subjected to
close scrutiny with a view to the determination whether we have not now
tried the institutions upon which modern society rests to the point of proving that some of them should be radically changed. The chief attack is on
the institution of private property and
is based upon the inequalities in the
distribution of wealth and of human
happiness that are apparent in our
present system."

Hardship on the Poor.
Mr. Taft continued: "I venture to
think that one evil which has not attracted the attention of the community
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known as the "Ward act," is unconstitutional. The act provides "that a
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tion is held."

They allege that this provision of said act is unconstitutional, because it is in conflict with section 18 of the schedule of our present Constitution, which section reads as follows:

"In all elections held after this Constitution goes into effect, the qualification of the electors shall be those required by article 2 of this Constitution."

HAVE NO FURTHER DELAY

Work on Plans for Richmond Post-Office to Be Pushed Now. Office to Be Pushed Now.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., August 5,—
Work on the preparation of the plans
for the Richmond post-office will be
resumed by the force of the supervising architect of the Treasury, Senator
Martin had a long talk to-day with
Supervising Architect Taylor and his
assistant, Mr. Kemper. The Senator
has recently received a great many
inquiries from constituents, asking
concerning the delay in the completion
of the plans and advertisement for
bids. He came to Washington determined to find out the cause, and to
secure a promise that the work should
be pushed.

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STATE CLUBS WILL

BE SUBSIDIARY

Whole Organization Will Furnish Information of the Political Situation Throughout the Country—Mr.

Bryan Greatly Pleased
With Novel Idea.

AIRVIEW, LINCOLN, NEB., August 6.—As the result of a visit owilliam J. Bryan to-day of Senator "Bob" Taylor, of Tennessee, who is here to deliver a Chautauqua lecture, the national committee of the Democratic plan for ascertaining the sentiment of the country toward their standard bearers. This plan contemplates the formation of a national Democratic club, with State and county clubs as subsidiaries, whose duty it will be to report to the central organization data favorable or unfavorable to the national ticket. It is proposed that these countriles are resulted states.

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from the Democratic nominee, would stop off in Lincoln on his way East, but Judge Parker wrote that before the invitation was received he had planned to go home by another route. He, however, pledged his services during the campaign, and will make numerous speeches.

DEFENDS PLATFORM

Bryan Answers Circular Issued by National Association of Manufacturers. Lincoln, NEB, August 6.—W. J. Bryan issued a statement replying to a circular issued some weeks ago by the National Association of Manufacturers, and signed by James W. Van Cleave. Mr. Bryan declares that the pamphlet of Mr. Van Cleave raises two questions: First, is there anything in the labor plank of the Democratic platform to which business men can justly take exception? and, second, is the labor question so important to business men as to justify them in ignoring all other issues?

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rectation of a labor department, with a Cabinet officer at its head, cannot a consibly offend business men.

He then says: "The platform draws a distinction between association of wage-earners organized for the protection of wages and the improvement of labor conditions and industrial corporations which act in restraint of trade.

The difference between a labor organization and trust is so apparent that they should be treated separately. To the least that they should be treated separately. To the least they should be treated separately. To the least that they should be treated separately. To the least that they should be treated separately. To the least that they should be treated separately. To the least that they should be treated separately. To the least that they should be treated separately. To the least that they should be treated separately. To the least that they should be treated separately. To the least that they should be treated separately. To the least that they should be treated separately. To the least that they should be treated separately. To the least the least that they should be treated separately. To the least that they should be treated separately. To the least that they should be treated separately. To the least that they should be treated separately. To the least that they should be treated separately. To the least that they should be treated separately. To the least that they should be treated separately. To the least that they should be treated separately. To the least that they should be treated separately. To the least that they should be treated separately. To the least that they should be treated separately. To the least that they should be treated separately. To the least the least that they should be treated separately. To the least that they should be treated separately. To the least that the least that they should be treated separately. To the least the least that they should be treated separately. To the least the should be treated the least the least the least the least the l

WRECKED BY FIRE

Damage Approximating \$50,-000 Caused by Midnight Blaze on 14th Street.

HEROIC WORK SAVED BIG BUSINESS BLOCK

Looked for Some Time as II Adjoining Buildings Would Go, But Stubborn Fight Confined Flames to Original Source.

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OR a time threatening to de-stroy the entire block, fire, which broke out in the extra warehouse of T. W. Wood & Sons, at No. 13 South Fourteenth et, shortly after midnight, raged with unabated fury for over two of every engine in the city except two, combined with the heavy streams

Only the most capable and herolo destroying the two buildings which From the time that the engines arrived in answer to the second call, eight streams played uncoasingly

from both front and rear. The fight was long and desperate,

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The fight was long and desperate, but the flames were at last subdued, and what promised at first to be one of the worst fires in the history of the city, was confined to its original source, where the damage will possibly not exceed \$50,000.

Brilliant Blaze.

Starting in the second story of the Wood place, the blaze crept gradually up, steadily gaining headway, until the entire second and third floors were a mass of seething flames and smoke. The glare lighted up the sky for many blocks around, and from the distance showers of sparks could be seen flying into the air.

The flames spread to the third floor of the building just to the south of the warehouse, occupied by Christian Winifree & Company, Incorporated, wholesale dealers in fancy groceries, but they were entirely confined to the third story, and were extinguished before any great amount of damage had been done there. In the building to the north of the warehouse, wholesale dealers in heavy groceries, the damage done by fire was slight, but the loss caused by the water will amount to a considerable sum.

Altogether the damage, according to rough estimate, will be between \$40,000 and \$50,000.

Mr. H. W. Wood, & member of the firm of T. W. Wood & Sons, stated that stored in the building was between \$8,000, and \$10,000 worth of field seed, which was probably fully covered by insurance. The building, which is practically a wreck, is gutted from the second story up, and the damage to this alone will amount to many thousands.

Discovery of Fire.

The fire was first discovered shortly.

The fire was first discovered shortly after 12 o'clock by Officer Duke and C. A. Coleman, a private watchman on the block, which is known as the

he and Officer Duffy first discovered the blaze it was hardly more than a laint glow, but the headway gained was remarkable, and before the engines arrived the whole second-story was in

Looked Dangerous.

For a few moments after all the streams were put in play it looked as if the blaze would be soon extinguished, but before long the great volume of smoke which poured from the windows and roof of the building burst like a mass of flames and for burst into a mass of flames, and for the next half-hour the entire block appeared to be doomed. For an hour or more the fire raged at its height with a stubborn persistence that even the torrent of water played from the many engines seemed unable to cope With.

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Then gradually, beginning in the rear, the fixemen managed to gain control, fighting foot by foct, until they drove the flames toward the front loe fite building.

With the fixemen in the rear holding the blaze in check and keeping it from spreading those in front were able to concentrate their efforts better, and it was not long before many spectations realized that the fire was under control, and that the adjoining buildings were safe. But for the hour or more when it raged at its height it looked as if the entire block must go.

Many Pires There.